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DEVELOPMENT WORK BY DVC
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the land acquired by the Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) in Jharkhand has not been developed during the last some years;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the employment provided so far to the dependents of land owners of Jharkhand whose land was acquired by DVC;

(d) whether directions have been issued by the Government to DVC for the development of such land and provide employment to the dependents of the people whose land was acquired;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : The land which has been acquired by the Damodar Valley Corporation since inception for different projects, has been developed and utilised for the purpose it has been acquired.

(c) : A large number of persons were given employment during the construction of various projects of DVC in the State of Jharkhand. Land losers/displaced persons were given preference in employment in work-charged and master roll establishments and most of them were finally absorbed in the regular establishment of DVC. Some of them left DVC after availing retrenchment benefits as per their own option. Of the remaining 1239 displaced persons of Jharkhand a panel was prepared out of which, 528 persons have been absorbed in DVC till date. In respect of the remaining displaced persons, it has been decided to offer a lump sum amount of Rs. 3 lakhs in lieu of employment over and above the compensation already paid.

(d) to (f) : All the land acquired by DVC has been developed and utilised for the purpose it was acquired. Employment was also provided to the land losers to the extent possible.

Details of project-wise employment provided to the land losers in this respect are at Annexure-I. Details of the land acquired and the purpose for which it is acquired are at Annexure-II.